News-Item "Men in Uniform Demands Justice"

381. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a write-up by a former DG of Punjab Police appearing in the Hindustan Times, dated 8th June, 2001, under the caption "Men in uniform demands justice"; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto and the steps taken or proposed to be taken for remedying the situation where the terrorists of yester years are reigning the State power and the institutions of democracy are inexorably arranged against the very people who made democracy possible by risking their lives?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The observations made in the article suggesting that terrorists of yester years are reigning the State power and the institutions of democracy are inexorably arrayed against the people who made democracy possible by risking their lives, is sweeping and general. Every individual organization is subject to the due process of law. Both State and Central Government are seized of the difficulties being faced by some of the officers and men of Punjab police who are facing court cases on account of alleged excesses and violation of human rights while fighting terrorism in Punjab. The necessary legal help is provided depending on merits of each case.

Plan for expansion and development of non-conventional energy sources

382. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any action plan for expansion and development of non-conventional energy sources in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of financial allocations made by Government during the last three years; and

(d) the measures being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Ministry has prepared a detailed action plan for the promotion and development of Non-conventional energy sources in the country during the 9th Five Year Plan period. The programme-wise details of physical targets are given in the Statement. (*See* below)

(c) and (d) The Ministry has allocated Rs. 219.08 crores, Rs. 266.24 crores and Rs. 265.02 crores during the last three years *i.e.* 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 respectively for various non-conventional energy programmes. The Ministry is providing various fiscal, financial and promotional incentives i.e. Central subsidy, 100% accelerated depreciation, concessional custom duty, excise duty/sales tax exemption, soft term loans, conducive policies for wheeling, banking, buy-back, third party sale of renewable energy power etc. to attract private sector participation and encourage use of renewable energy system/devices in the country. The public awareness for use of various non-conventional energy systems/devices has also been taken up through electronic, print and postal media.

Statement

Programme-wise Physical Targets fixed for 9th Five Year Plan Period

Sl. No.	Programmes/Schemes	9th Plan Physical Target
1	2	3
1.	National Project for Biogas Development	10 Lakhs
2.	Community/Institutional/Night-soil based Biogas Plants	800 Nos.
3.	National Programme on Improved Chulhas	150 Lakhs
4.	National Biomass Gasifier Programme	40MW

1	2	3
5.	Solar Photovoltaic (SPV) Demonstration Programme	
	SPV Home Light	2 Lakhs
	SPV Lanterns	3 Lakhs
	SPV Power Plants	1.6 MW
6.	SPV Pumps	4000 Nos.
7.	Solar Thermal (ST) Energy	
	Solar Water Heating Systems (M.sq. collector area)	1.5 Lakh
	Solar Cooker	1.5 Lakh Nos.
8.	Wind Pumps & Hybrid Systems	1000 Nos. 250 KW
9.	Wind Power	1000 MW
10.	Small Hydro Power (SHP)	130 MW
11.	Biomass Power	314 MW
12.	Solar Power	141.5 MW
13.	Energy from Urban & Industrial wastes	42 MW

MW = Mega Watt; KW = Kilo Watt; M.sq. = Meter Square

Wind Power Potential in the Coastal States

383. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated gross wind power potential in the coastal States, State-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that the entire wind power potential in these States have not been fully tapped;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to tap the full wind power in every State and particularly in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN): (a) to (c) The gross wind power potential in the country has been estimated at about 45,000 MW. The technical potential which can be tapped is, however, about 13,000 MW. A